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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Hiroaki TAKAYAMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/214,155

Group Art Unit: 1616

Filed: December 29, 1998

Examiner: Qazi, S.

For: VITAMIN D<sub>3</sub> DERIVATIVE AND ITS PRODUCTION METHOD

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action of June 30, 1999 for the above-captioned application along with a three-month Petition for Extension of Time attached, and the appropriate statutory extension of time fee, making the response due on or before December 30, 1999.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1 and 2 as follows:

- Claim 1, line 2, delete "general";  
line 4, delete "[ " before "wherein";  
line 4, delete "hydrogen atom or a";  
line 5, delete "; herein" and insert --and wherein--; and  
line 6, delete "]" after "β-configuration";